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## Air Force, NASCAR team up

By Staff Sgt. Jeremy Clayton Tredway  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Team Luke Thunderbolts invaded Phoenix International Raceway Nov. 2 through Sunday to serve their community at the largest sporting event weekend in Arizona.

In the spirit of "we are all recruiters," Luke professionals brought the Air Force to the public by exhibiting teamwork and leadership.

The Luke Honor Guard presented the colors during the National Anthem, and the 310th Fighter Squadron performed a three-ship flyover before the nationally televised main event.

Thunderbolts also demonstrated their commitment to serving their nation by inviting race fans to tour the base and performing jobs around the track.

In addition, race fans had a firsthand look at the Air Force's latest recruiting and retention tool, the Air Force-sponsored NASCAR Winston Cup No. 21 racecar. The car was at the main exchange Saturday and Sunday and parked nose-to-nose with an F-16 at the base operations red carpet area Monday.

The Wood Brothers-owned racecar is not only charged with the usual task of winning races, but beefing-up the U.S. Air Force's recruiting and retention efforts.

Air Force leaders believe the racecar will help recruiting by giving the service national exposure to race fans and drawing similarities between NASCAR and the Air Force.

"NASCAR has crew chiefs. We have crew chiefs," said Lt. Col. Douglas Lefforge, 56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs chief. "It takes the same type of teamwork and determination to build a winning race team as it does to build a winning combat force."

Additionally, top leaders believe many race fans are mechanically-minded and can easily take their technical knowledge and apply it to the Air Force.

"This is a huge market the Air Force needs to tap into," Lefforge said.



**Tech. Sgt. Michael Burns**  
**El Mirage fire chief Edward Rios (left), and firefighters Tom Christmas (center) and David Cleveland check out the Wood Brothers No. 21 racecar and a 62nd Fighter Squadron Fighting Falcon Monday at base operations.**

Air Force leaders feel the racecar can also bolster retention efforts by giving its airmen, many of which are already NASCAR fans, something to rally around.

"When the Wood Brothers Racing Team agreed to have the Air Force sponsor their No. 21 racecar, it automatically became a part of the Air Force team,"

Lefforge said. "We think this will be an added source of pride for the already proud men and women of the Air Force."

The Air Force announced Oct. 4 that it will advertise on the Elliot Sadler-driven racecar for the 2001 NASCAR Winston Cup Season.

### Veterans Day ...



**Senior Airman Beth Krichbaum**

**Local veterans ride in a vintage military general-purpose vehicle Saturday during the 20th Annual Glendale Veterans Day Parade. The parade was sponsored by the Glendale Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans and featured Col. Steve Sargeant, 56th Fighter Wing commander, as the grand marshal. Other local Veterans Day activities include: The City of Avondale celebration Saturday at 11 a.m. at Sernas Plaza at Western and 5th avenues. The City of Phoenix parade, "Freedom Marches On," Saturday at 11 a.m. on Central Avenue from Indian School to McDowell roads. For more information, call (602) 277-5551 Ext. 2667. The Veterans of Foreign Wars has a parade Saturday at 10 a.m. at Apache Junction, Ariz.**

## 56th RMO archaeologists discover ancient dwelling

By 1st Lt. Miki Kristina Krejcarek  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

What was recently expected to be a typical survey on the east tactical range of the Barry M. Goldwater Range by 56th Range Management Office archaeologists turned out to be a discovery of cultural sites, including a rock shelter presumed to date between A.D. 150 and 1450.

"This is a great discovery and it's something that may not have been seen for thousands of years," said Adrienne Rankin, 56th RMO archaeologist.

The rock shelter, a cavity formed in the side of a mountain, was found on one of the air-to-ground target areas on the 13,000-acre east tactical range. One of its walls contained a pictograph of four lines drawn with black ink.

Paintings are unusual this far east of the range, Rankin said. Most painted rock art is found on the western side of the range where rocks made of granite are more difficult to peck into, she explained.

Rock shelters like the one found were primarily used as temporary habitations. In some instances, the shelters may have served as base camps during harvests.

Other artifacts found inside the shelter include ceramic shards, obsidian glass used in making sharp tools and tabular knives used for cutting food.

"You're actually picking up an artifact where someone left it thousands of years

ago, and it makes you think about what these people were doing and what the vegetation and climate were like," Rankin said. "This shelter has potential to provide a great deal of information."

Surveys of the range are routinely conducted by 56th RMO archaeologists. They are similar to a foreign object debris walk done by flightline crew chiefs. A line of archaeologists about 15 meters apart scan the landscape for artifacts such as pieces of pottery. These items must be identified and protected according to law.

On each of the tactical ranges, surveys are conducted annually in designated one-year and five-year "sweep" areas. During an eight-week period when tactical ranges are closed for cleanup, archaeologists are there while 56th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal team members clean up munitions.

Various archaeological sites have been found on the range, and this is where the delicate balancing act of cultural resources protection and the Luke mission come into play, said Maj. Daniel Garcia, 56th RMO chief of environmental science. Luke's mission is the primary objective, but there will always be ways to protect and manage the site.

"There is a lot of land the Air Force is responsible for," Garcia said. "All the people out there are trying to do the right thing — to preserve and protect the environment and its natural and cultural resources."



## Action Line



**Col. Steve Sargeant**  
**56th FW commander**

*The 56th Fighter Wing Commander's Action Line is your direct line to me. I get personally involved in every reply. Your ideas and concerns help build a stronger foundation on which we can successfully complete our mission and take care of our people.*

*Before you call the Action Line though, give Luke's profes-*

*sionals a chance to answer your question in concert with your unit chain of command. If the appropriate expert is unable to provide a satisfactory response, call me at 856-7011 or send an e-mail to command.actionline@luke.af.mil. Please include your name and telephone number so I can provide a personal reply to your concern. Together we can make Luke a better place to live and work.*

Who to call:	
Fraud, waste and abuse hotline	856-6149
Base exchange	935-4652
Civil engineer customer service	856-7231
Commissary	935-3821
Patient advocate	856-9100
Legal assistance	856-6901
Law enforcement desk	856-5970
Housing office	856-7643
Military pay	856-7028
MPF customer service	856-7874

### Action Line synopsis

The 56th Fighter Wing Commander's Action Line recently received inquiries about people speeding on the Agua Fria Highway, problems at the Army and Air Force Exchange Service's main store and pet owners failing to clean up after their dogs in Fowler Park.

Your concerns are important. I have reviewed these issues and I am taking the appropriate action to ensure they are properly handled.

All inquiries are treated with equal consideration. People who identify themselves and leave a means of contact are provided a personal response. Although the "Tallyho" can't print each concern, it prints questions and answers affecting a majority of base readership.



e-mail:  
command.actionline  
@luke.af.mil  
or call,  
856-7011

## Sortie Scoreboard

Fiscal year 2001 programmed flight training		
	To date	Goal
Sorties flown	3,559	39,376
Flying hours	4,828	51,687
Pilot graduates	92	1,001
MRA graduates	89	937

Luke people deployed:  
AEF 7/8: 3    AEF 9/10: 66  
Others: 15

# ORM Practice risk management

By Maj. Richard S. Nelson  
*56th Component Repair Squadron commander*

Have you ever looked out the window to check the weather prior to making a trip to the store? Have you taken a different route either driving, walking or hiking because one route just did not look right? Have you used an approved workaround to get a sortie off the ground because a certain piece of equipment was not available?

If you answered yes to any of these, you have practiced the concept of operational risk management. ORM is the process of assessing each situation you encounter from a safety perspective and making decisions based on risks involved and the acceptance of those risks. This all depends on the importance of the task at hand.

Many of us have heard the statement "safety is paramount" in our jobs. I would argue this statement is a bit flawed. If safety were truly paramount we would not turn a wheel nor fly an aircraft.

As we have also heard, flying is an inherently dangerous business. These two concepts do not go hand in hand. This is not to say by any means we should go about our business of flying airplanes with complete disregard for the safety of individuals and equipment involved. Rather, we should assess each task required to launch, fly and recover airplanes and determine the risks involved with each task.

In this era of constrained budgets and diminishing manpower levels, it is essential we do not waste a single dollar or a single man-hour paying for a mistake or an error caused by doing things in a risky manner. With this being the case, how do we go about accomplishing the tasks set before us by the nation to fly, fight and win?

The answer is to practice ORM. This process takes input from all levels within the organization and determines whether the tasks required are worth doing, considering the risks involved. With the operational readiness inspection on the horizon, it is imperative we all execute ORM within our work centers to give ourselves as much time as possible to alleviate identified risks.

The ORM process begins with each individual being allowed to express what he or she sees as risks within their workplace. Many times the best inputs received are from those one and two strip-

ers who are new to the workplace and have not "always done it that way."

When things just do not look right with a certain task or in your shop, that is the time to identify what you deem risky. This can include very big things, like performing maintenance near the intake of an F-16, to something as simple as having a cord on the floor of an office that is a potential tripping hazard.

Once everyone has had the opportunity to input their ideas to this process, all identified risks are ranked on two scales. First of all, each identified risk is rated on the likelihood of something happening as a result of that risk. The second rating is on the severity of the result if something does happen as a result of that risk.

Once each of these has been accomplished, we are ready to assess each identified risk for acceptability. Each risk is determined as either accept-

able or unacceptable based on the ratings in the two categories and on the importance of the task. There will be times when we accept more risk from a task because it is an absolutely crucial task in the accomplishment of the mission.

When this happens, the next step will be to determine if there is anything that can be done to minimize either

the severity of the risk or the likelihood of its occurrence. There might be an extra step that can be added to the task or special protective equipment that can be worn to help minimize the risk.

There will be other times when even a relatively small task will be avoided because the importance of the task is not worth risking possible injury to people or equipment. When these are determined, potential workarounds are identified so the task can still be accomplished, but with diminished risk.

ORM is probably the most important tool we all carry in our tool boxes to help us accomplish the mission in the most effective, efficient and safe manner possible. I encourage each of you to practice ORM, not only while on the job, but also in your personal lives. If we all use this tool each and every day we will accomplish the mission and do so with no damage to our people or our equipment.

Remember, safety is not necessarily paramount, but mitigating the risk associated with this inherently risky business is of primary concern.

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**Maj. Richard S. Nelson**  
56th Component Repair Squadron commander

## AF leaders thank vets for sacrifices

By F. Whitten Peters and  
Gen. Michael E. Ryan  
*Air Force secretary and Air Force chief of staff*

For more than half a century we have paused to remember the sacrifices of military members and their families on Veterans Day. Born from "Armistice Day," the end of the "war to end all wars" — World War I — Veterans Day is a remembrance of the millions of men and women who

have unselfishly served our country.

From battling against the aggression of the Iraqi regime, fighting for the lives of Kosovar Albanians, or rescuing the victims of national disasters at home and abroad — when our nation called — individual servicemen and women met and exceeded all challenges.

Service before and beyond self is the greatest gift an individual can make to our nation. Today we recognize the special sacrifices of our military men and

women. They and the civilian members of our total force provide to this great nation the security and liberty we all enjoy. Thank you to each and every one of you for your service to America.



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Senior Airman Beth Krichbaum

Airman 1st Class Phillip Wright, 56th Security Forces Squadron entry controller, checks identification cards at the main gate, ensuring only authorized people enter the base.

# THREATCON: Luke faces Alpha

By Kristen M. Butler  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

In a measure to protect against terrorist threats, AETC headquarters placed its bases under threat condition Alpha for a 24-hour period.

From Nov. 2 at 9 a.m. to Friday at 9 a.m. AETC leaders increased THREATCON levels throughout the command to Alpha. This condition is a general warning of possible terrorist activity where factors and capability are present.

AETC leaders wanted to ensure its bases could comply with increased threat conditions. They placed the command's bases under Alpha as a way to increase awareness, said Chief Master Sgt. Charles Coles, 56th Security Forces Squadron manager.

Each of the military's threat levels — normal, Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta — carry a set of increasingly restrictive security precautions. Military bases worldwide have recently increased threat levels due to the Oct. 12 terrorist bomb attack against the Navy destroyer USS Cole that killed 17 sailors and wounded 39 others.

During this time, 56th SFS members practiced random anti-terrorism measures. This means Team Luke experienced increased identification and automobile checks with a focus on commercial or cargo vehicles, Coles said.

"The nature of RAMs is to change the look of the base so possible terrorists can't figure out our security plan," Coles said. "The randomness is computer generated — it's like a chameleon, always changing

its colors to make itself less vulnerable."

Although short-lived, there are no plans to return to THREATCON Alpha anytime soon.

"Whether we're in a 'normal' or an increased threat condition, all Team Luke members should continue to look for and report any suspicious activity," said Col. Steve Sargeant, 56th Fighter Wing commander.

Coles added "every airman a warrior, every airman a sensor" is always in effect at Luke.

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56th Fighter Wing commander

Bravo: Increased and more predictable terrorist threat. The threat level is medium. Factors of existence, capability, history or trends must be present. Specific targeting is not present.

Charlie: An incident occurs or intelligence indicates terrorist action is imminent. The threat level is high. Factors of existence, capability, trends and nonimmediate or nonspecific U.S. or Defense Department targeting must be present.

Delta: This is a localized warning in an immediate area where a terrorist attack has occurred. Intelligence is received that terrorist action against a specific location is likely. The threat level is imminent and factors of group existence, capability and immediate or specific targeting are present.

"An extra set of eyes or an extra set of ears can keep a catastrophe from occurring. If you think something looks suspicious, report it — it's always better to be safe than sorry," Coles said.

Additionally, specific conditions must exist before THREATCON Bravo, Charlie or Delta are declared. The conditions are:

## Thunderbolt Instructor Pilot of the Week

Name: Capt. Saxon "WASP" Yandell, 62nd Fighter Squadron instructor pilot  
Hometown: Snohomish, Wash.  
Years in service: Six  
Family: Wife, Karina; daughter, Annika, 3; and son, Cole, 2  
Education: Bachelor's of science degree in political science from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.  
Previous assignments: Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska; and Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas  
Goals: Improve as a remedial training unit IP and spread the good news about the gospel of Jesus Christ  
Greatest feat: Being a father for two toddlers  
Commander's comments: "WASP represents the best our country and the Air Force have to offer," said Lt. Col. Mike France, 62nd FS commander. "He is a tremendous officer, aviator and family man."



Yandell

## News Briefs

### Holiday hours

Army and Air Force Exchange Service facilities operate normal hours Friday and Saturday except for the following facilities: the service station is open Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and military clothing sales is closed Saturday. In addition, the commissary is closed Saturday.

### Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot

The Second Annual First Sergeant Turkey Shoot is today from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the CATM Range. Tickets cost \$5 and are sold by first sergeants. Proceeds from the sale go to Operation Warmheart. Each ticket entitles participants to one shot at a paper turkey target while competing against six other shooters. The winner receives a 12 to 14 pound turkey from the commissary. In addition, hamburgers, hot dogs and chili are sold.

### Retirement ceremony

A retirement ceremony for Master Sgt. Freddie Reed, 56th Operations Support Squadron, is today at 1:30 p.m. in Hangar 983, Dock 3.

### Education office closure

The education services flight offers limited services Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. due to a Community College of the Air Force graduation.

### CCAF graduation

A Community College of the Air Force graduation is Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at the NCO club. 56th Fighter Wing Command Chief Master Sgt. Kevin Isakson is the guest speaker. For more information, call Catherine Humphrey at 856-7725.

### Civilian employee benefits fair

A health benefits fair for civilian employees is Nov. 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the 56th Mission Support Center third-floor atrium. Open season is from Monday to Dec. 11. To change benefits during this time, call (800) 997-2378.

### Retirement ceremony

A retirement ceremony for Chief Master Sgt. Barry Lewis, 62nd Fighter Squadron, is Nov. 17 at 11 a.m. at 62nd FS maintenance Hangar 431.

### Tallyho deadlines

The "Tallyho" does not publish Nov. 24 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The deadline for the Dec. 1 issue is Nov. 22 at noon. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Brian Davidson at 856-6055.

### Tallyho corrections

Col. Teresa Ledzinski, 56th Medical Group deputy commander, was misidentified as a lieutenant colonel; John Fellerer's name was misspelled; and the photo on Page 8 about drunk driving is a photo illustration, a Luke airman is not being tested for driving under the influence. The "Tallyho" staff apologizes for any inconvenience these errors may have caused.

## Justice Report

The following nonjudicial actions occurred at Luke between Oct. 10 and 13.

- ♦ A senior airman received an Article 15, a suspended reduction to airman first class and 30 days extra duty for two counts of failure to go and disrespect to an NCO.
- ♦ An airman first class received an Article 15, a suspended reduction to airman and 15 days extra duty for dereliction of duty and disobeying a lawful order.
- ♦ An airman first class received an Article 15, a suspended reduction to airman and 30 days extra duty for failure to go and disrespect to an NCO.
- ♦ An airman first class received an Article 15, a suspended reduction to airman and 45 days extra duty for false official statement and presentment of a false document.
- ♦ An airman first class received an Article 15, a suspended reduction to airman, 30 days restriction and 30 days extra duty for failure to go.



# Luke, local fire departments join for training

By 2nd Lt. Jeff Carney  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Luke and about a dozen West Valley fire departments participate in an intensive co-operative training program here until Dec. 5.

The fire departments engage in scenarios emphasizing cooperation and team play. The program is for minimum company standards readiness training with exercises designed to establish a high level of competence.

“Minimum company standards are those all the departments have to meet,” said Marty Yates, 56th Civil Engineer Squadron assistant fire chief of training. “It’s part of the automatic aid system in the Valley. When any fire department arrives on the scene, everyone knows what’s happening because we’re all working with the same procedures.”

This program is just one of several Luke and local firefighters share. All joint programs allow the firefighting teams to work together on a regular basis.

“If we ever need them out here, then everyone feels confident,” Yates said. “Programs like this build camaraderie between departments. That helps fire chiefs know other departments’ competencies.”

The program’s scenarios also allow department members to practice different firefighting roles. Each department plays a

different role that depends upon several factors including when they arrive on scene.

“We have four scenarios, and each team won’t know what they’re going to do,” Yates said. “They could be a first-in engine company or whatever, but while all four teams get different duties, they all must work together as

a team for that one scenario.”

While training programs like this are used for readiness, they can also be useful for building certain characteristics such as leadership for future events.

This program takes senior fire officers and puts them in the position of running an operation with a variety of depart-

ments on the scene, said Hoyd Sanders, 56th CES fire chief.

Luke’s fire department has already seen benefits from this intensive training.

“We’ve definitely seen an increase in performance through this program,” Yates said. “We’ve worked some real bad accidents, and in doing that, I’ll say we’ve saved quite a few people because of good training. This program in particular has helped.”

From the beginning this local program has been a voluntary cooperation. It grew from an idea to an annual event.

It began several years ago and went from seven departments to the 11 that are now involved. When departments arrive on a fire scene, everyone knows what’s happening and that helps Luke firefighters.

Luke firefighters spend a lot of time in training, and they also train local authorities in case an Air Force jet accident occurs.

“Since 1998, we’ve trained close to 800 firefighters and 100 law enforcement officers in F-16 accident scenarios,” Yates said.

“During training, Luke firefighters learn different techniques, gain a sense of camaraderie and get to see other teams in action to interact and learn from each other, but the value of people’s lives is emphasized throughout,” he added.

“I stress treating victims of accidents like family,” Yates said. “When we do that, we do a much better job.”



Airman Delvin Barnes

**Members of the Glendale Fire Department practice entering a warehouse Nov. 2 by cutting through mock steel roll-up doors at Luke as an evaluator looks on.**

## America Recycles Day

# Team Luke participates in national observance

By Deborah Davis  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

America Recycles Day is Wednesday, but Luke encourages its people to reduce, reuse, and recycle on a daily basis.

Team Luke generates more than 9,000 tons of solid waste per year and recycles about 37 percent of it, faring well compared to other communities, said Virgil Martinez, 56th Civil Engineer Squadron pollution prevention programs chief.

“The best recycling rates in America range between 30 to 40 percent,” Martinez said. “We are doing well, but we can do better to improve quality of life at Luke.”

Luke’s recycle program expects to gross \$250,000 this year from the sale of paper, cardboard, scrap metal and used oil. The proceeds are used to support Luke’s recycle program and quality-of-life initiatives.

“After the program’s operating costs are paid, the base commander can spend half the remaining proceeds on pollution prevention, energy conservation or occupational health

and safety initiatives,” said Capt. Timothy Imdieke, 56th CES Environmental Flight chief. “The remaining proceeds can be spent on morale, welfare and recreation activities.”

Examples of MWR improvements include installing water slides and adding deck furniture at the base pools.

Family housing occupants can make a difference by adhering to proper waste disposal procedures, which include separating garbage and recyclables in appropriate bins.

“It only takes one dirty diaper or bag of food placed in a recycling bin to waste the recycling effort and lose money we could have received from recycled material,” Imdieke said.

The base recycling containers should only be used to discard items such as paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, metal, aluminum cans and glass bottles without lids.

“We encourage your participation and welcome inputs and questions to make the program better,” Martinez said. “Happy America Recycles Day and remember to reduce, reuse and recycle.”

For more information about Luke’s recycle program call Martinez at 856-4166, Ext. 250.



Airman Delvin Barnes

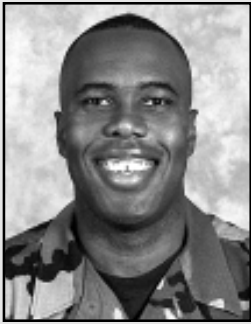
**Tech. Sgt. Mark Davis and Senior Airman Clifton Richardson, 56th Communications Squadron, empty office recyclables into a blue Luke recycling bin.**

## Wing Warrior

*This column recognizes Team Luke members’ contributions to wartime readiness in the tradition of 2nd Lt. Frank Luke.*

Name: Tech. Sgt. Mark Cooke, 56th Transportation Squadron Cargo Movement chief  
Hometown: Houston  
Years in service: 13  
Family: Wife, Trinece; and daughter, Kiaira, 2  
Education: An associate’s degree in logistics from the Community College of the Air Force and a bachelor’s degree in computer science and management from Park University  
Inspirations: The late Bob Nestar Marley and my parents  
Greatest feat: Completing my bachelor’s degree while working in very demanding positions  
Off duty: Golfing, exercising, learning more about computers and spending time with Kiaira

Commander’s comments: “Tech. Sgt. Cooke is an outstanding transporter with a knack for innovation,” said Maj. Pamela Donovan, 56th TRNS commander. “He played a pivotal role during the recent visit by U.S. Air Force Headquarters to evaluate and later recommend his element’s electronic payment process as a ‘best practice’ within the Air Force. Tech. Sgt. Cooke is a superb leader who confidently conquers all challenges.”



Cooke

## Luke’s Spirit

*Col. Steve Sargeant, 56th Fighter Wing commander, uses this column to recognize Team Luke members’ outstanding customer service.*

Name: Tech. Sgt. Robert Pearson, 56th Component Repair Squadron jet engine craftsman  
Hometown: West Cornwall, Conn.  
Years in service: Eight  
Family: Parents, Walter and Elizabeth Pearson  
Education: Associate’s degrees in electronics from DeVry Institute of Technology and the Community College of the Air Force and currently working toward my bachelor’s degree at Wayland Baptist University  
Inspirations: Parents Walter and Betsy; my girlfriend, Nikki; my old boss Master Sgt. William Payseno; and most importantly, my fellow heathens at the test facility

Goals: To be selected for Officer Training School  
Greatest feat: Graduated from DeVry with a 4.0 grade point average  
Famous last words: Trust me!  
Hobbies: Hunting and golfing  
Commander’s comments: “Tech. Sgt. Pearson represented the 56th Fighter Wing and the Air Force very well during our recent educator tour,” Sargeant said. “His efforts impressed our visitors and encouraged them to support our Falconeer program.”



Pearson

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# Defense counsel offers legal advice

By Deborah Davis  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

When a military member faces legal proceedings for a possible violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the accused may obtain legal defense provided by the government at no cost, or civilian defense at personal expense. However, civilian attorneys may lack experience in the administration of military justice.

That’s why having the right attorney is crucial. A civilian attorney who is not part of base command and completely impartial to military procedure can be the best choice for a military member’s defense. But, the downside is a lack of understanding of the UCMJ.

Unlike civilian lawyers, the base area defense counsel specializes in military law and offers support to military members who need representation in court-martial proceedings, Article 15 actions including letters of reprimand and reports of survey to name a few.

“I am entrusted with the important responsibility to zealously defend my clients using every available legal means,” said Capt. Mark Trujillo, Luke ADC. “As an area defense counsel, I look out for my client’s best interests.”

An ADC does not work for anyone in position at the command where they are stationed. A base-level ADC is assigned to the Air Force Legal Services Agency at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

“My clients do not have to fear that I may be pressured by Luke command to act against their interests,” Trujillo said. “Unless the client and I agree to disclose information as a part of the defense, it remains confidential.”

Military members who are suspected of violating the UCMJ should seek counsel before making any statements.

“An important point to remember is that those accused are innocent until proven guilty,” said Staff Sgt. Tara Mulvey, Luke defense paralegal.

The ADC office is open weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and may be reached after duty hours by calling the command post at 856-5600. For more information on Luke’s ADC legal services, call 856-5800.

## Luke Leaders

*Lt. Col. Randy Lane took command of the 61st Fighter Squadron “Top Dogs” Monday.*

Hometown: Martinez, Calif.  
Years in service: 18  
Family: Wife, Katy; daughter, Mindy, 8; and son, Evan, 6  
Education: A bachelor’s degree from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.; and a master’s degree in business administration from Golden Gate University, Calif.  
Previous assignments: Taegu Air Base, Republic of Korea; George Air Force Base, Calif; Misawa Air Base, Japan; Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; and Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.  
Inspirations: Previous commanders who motivated and led their people  
Goals: To be the best husband and father I can be; and raise my children to be well-rounded, conscientious people  
Greatest feat: Being an operations officer of two different F-16 squadrons  
Leadership philosophy: Well-led people don’t have to be told what to do; they already know.  
Off duty: Children’s activities



Lane

# Dental plan begins for reservists

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — Starting Feb. 1, traditional reservists and their families may participate in an expanded U.S. government dental program if the reservists express an intent to remain in the Reserves for at least 12 consecutive months.

Enrollment in the new TRICARE Dental Program is voluntary and begins in December. The coverage is effective Feb. 1.

Service members enrolled in the TRICARE Selected Reserve Dental Program or the TRICARE Family Member Dental Plan are automatically enrolled in the new program.

To enroll, service members must have at least a one-year service commitment in the active force, reserve forces or a combination of the two.

Under the plan, all eligible family members of a sponsor are enrolled if one of them is enrolled. Children younger than 4 do not have to be enrolled. Also, the sponsor can only enroll family members from

one location if family members reside in two or more geographically separated locations.

Premium costs vary depending on the number of enrollees and the type of plan.

Premium payments for Selected Reserve members will be by payroll deduction. The contract states family members will be directly billed. The contractor will directly bill enrollees who do not have an active payroll account or insufficient funds in their account.

Survivor benefits will be available for eligible dependents if they are enrolled in the TRICARE Dental Program at the time of the sponsor’s death.

Air Force Reserve Command officials at Robins Air Force Base, Ga., will provide more information about the new dental program when it becomes available.

Beneficiaries with questions about the program can visit <http://www.ucci.com> or call (800)866-8499.

# Wellness center urges people to ‘Smokeout’

By Lt. Col. Thomas Duquette  
*56th Medical Group*

Nov. 16 is the Great American Smokeout and the 56th Medical Group Health and Wellness Center has a booth at the main exchange throughout the day where smokers can exchange tobacco products for a “quit kit” and sign up for a smoking cessation class.

The Smokeout began in 1977 and was organized by the American Cancer Society as a time for smokers to quit for one day just to prove they can.

Each year more Americans try to quit smoking during the Smokeout than any

other day of the year — including New Year’s Day.

Suggestions to stop smoking include:

- ♦ Set a date for quitting. If possible, have a friend quit smoking as well.
- ♦ When wanting a cigarette, wait a few minutes. Try to think of something to do instead of smoking like chewing gum or drinking a glass of water.

Tips for the first day of quitting:

- ♦ Get rid of all cigarettes. Put away ashtrays.
- ♦ Change the morning routine. When eating breakfast, don’t sit in the same place at the kitchen table. Stay busy.
- ♦ When facing the urge to smoke,

do something else instead.

- ♦ Carry other things to keep the mouth busy, such as gum, hard candy or a toothpick.
- ♦ Have a reward at the end of the day for not smoking.
- ♦ Smokers should let others know they have quit smoking, most people are supportive.
- ♦ Those who slip and smoke, don’t be discouraged. Many former smokers tried to stop several times before they finally succeeded.

For more information or to sign up for a smoking cessation class, call the HAWC at 856-3830.



Photo illustration by Staff Sgt. Aaron Marcus



Senior Airman Beth Krichbaum

*Jack Issertell (left) and Aguiar Armando move equipment Monday in preparation for today's nonappropriated funds auction.*

# Auction

## SVS sells excess equipment

By Tech. Sgt. B. Coors-Davidson  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 56th Services Squadron has a nonappropriated funds auction today at 10 a.m. at the Desert Star Enlisted Club. Items for sale may be previewed beginning at 8:30 a.m. The sale is open to civilians who must pay a \$200 deposit for a bidder card. Active-duty military, civilian employees, Guard, Reserve and their family members must show military identification for a bidder card. A 56th SVS representative is at the main gate to issue passes to nonidentification card holders. Items for sale include restaurant equipment, commercial-quality gas

grills, arts and crafts items, furniture, campers, boats and other outdoor recreation equipment. "The annual NAF sale is a way to get rid of excess equipment and make improvements and upgrades to morale, welfare and recreation services and facilities," said John Beckett, 56th SVS business operations flight chief. "It is part of our ongoing quality-of-life initiatives." All proceeds from the sale remain in Luke MWR programs. A professional auctioneer calls the sale of each item. Cash, cashier check or club card are accepted. All merchandise must be removed the day of the sale. For more information, call Beckett at 856-6625.

## Forever remembered ...



Airman Delvin Barnes

*Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Gregory Tate, 56th Fighter Wing, and Glendale's Bellair Elementary School students lay flowers Nov. 2 at the "Tree of Honor" planted in memory of the 17 sailors who died after the USS Cole was bombed Oct. 12 off the coast of Yemen.*



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# TRICARE

## Health care benefits expand for retirees

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — Medicare-eligible military retirees, their spouses and survivors who are age 65 and over will be entitled to expanded health care benefits under legislation signed Oct. 30 by President Clinton.

The new benefits include pharmacy and TRICARE coverage.

April 1 is the start date for eligible beneficiaries to receive pharmacy benefits to include access to military treatment facility pharmacies, the National Mail Order Pharmacy program and retail pharmacies.

Beneficiaries currently age 65 or older or who will be 65 before April 1 are eligible to use the pharmacy benefit without being enrolled in Medicare Part B. Those who turn 65 on or after April 1 must be enrolled in Medicare Part B to use the pharmacy benefit.

Effective Oct. 1, 2001, eligible beneficiaries who receive medical care from their current Medicare providers will have TRICARE as their second payer. TRICARE will pay out-of-pocket costs for services covered under Medicare.

Beneficiaries also will have access to TRICARE benefits, which may not be covered under Medicare. Beneficiaries, however, must be eligible for Medicare Part A and enrolled in Medicare Part B.

“We are pleased to have the legislative authority to provide our Medicare-eligible beneficiaries health care benefits similar to those other military beneficiaries receive,” said Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs Jarrett Clinton.

TRICARE Management Activity officials said eligible seniors should not immediately cancel their current “Medigap” insurance coverage. The DOD is working with the Health Care Financing Administration, the organization that administers the Medicare benefit, to provide the most accurate information on the appropri-

ateness of continued enrollment in “Medigap” insurance policies.

TRICARE officials said beneficiaries should do two things now to ensure future eligibility for benefits.

First, they should update their Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System record with their correct address and any changes in family status such as marriage, divorce, birth or adoption. Home addresses are important because the address on file with DEERS is used to send out information on health benefits. In addition, health benefits could be denied if DEERS is not updated to reflect a new spouse or child. Retirees may update DEERS by:

- ♦ Going to the nearest military personnel office
- ♦ E-mailing changes to [addrinfo@osd.pentagon.mil](mailto:addrinfo@osd.pentagon.mil)
- ♦ Mailing changes to the DEERS Support Office, ATTN: COA, 400 Gigling Road, Seaside, CA 93955-6771
- ♦ Calling the toll-free number for the DEERS support office at (800) 538-9552

Second, eligible beneficiaries should enroll in Medicare Part B if they haven’t already. If they are not sure if they are enrolled, they can check the back of their Social Security card for this information.

To enroll, beneficiaries must submit an application for Medicare Part B directly to the Social Security Administration. Enrollment in Medicare Part B is Jan. 1 through March 31 of each year, and Part B coverage starts July 1 of that year.

For details on enrollment in Part B, beneficiaries may call the SSA toll-free number, (800) 772-1213, or visit any Social Security office. They also can find information on the Medicare Web site at <http://medicare.gov>.

For more information about TRICARE benefits, beneficiaries can go to the TRICARE Web site at [www.tricare.osd.mil](http://www.tricare.osd.mil).

## Savings plan season begins Wednesday

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — The next open season for the Thrift Savings Plan begins Wednesday and ends Jan. 31. During this time, eligible employees can elect to contribute to TSP or make changes to their current contributions.

TSP is a voluntary retirement savings and investment plan for federal civilian employees. Two of the main features of TSP are before-tax savings and tax-deferred earnings.

“This means the contributions you make to TSP come out of your pay before taxes and the earnings made on your TSP account are not taxed until you receive the money,” said Christine Watkins, Benefits and Entitlements Service Team employee relations specialist.

Contribution limits are set by the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board and based upon an employee’s retirement system.

All TSP participants can choose to invest any portion of their TSP account in one or more of the three TSP funds: the Government Securities Investment (G) Fund, the Common Stock Index Investment (C) Fund, and the Fixed Income Index Investment (F) Fund.

The S-Small Capitalization Index Fund and the I-International Stock Index Fund are not available until May.

Employees may make their TSP elections or changes through the BEST-automated phone system at (800 ) 997-2378; 527-2378 if calling within the San Antonio area; or by accessing the BEST Web site at [http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST\\_GRB/EBIS.htm](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST_GRB/EBIS.htm). Counselors are available Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. CST, to answer questions.

Hearing impaired employees can reach a benefits counselor by calling (800) 382-0893.

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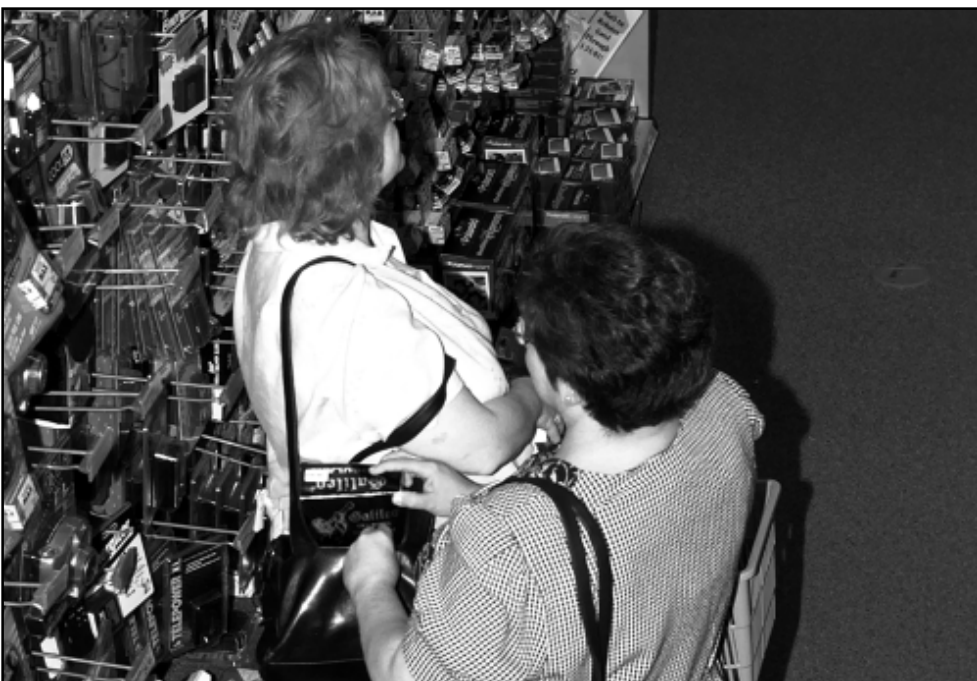
Photos by Staff Sgt. Aaron Marcus

*Army and Air Force Exchange Service's safety and security people monitor, track and videotape suspected shoplifters in all areas of base exchange facilities.*

# Shoplifting

*AAFES security team takes a bite out of crime*

*These photos illustrate common forms of shoplifting including price switching (right) and concealment (below).*



By Staff Sgt. B. Coors-Davidson  
56th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

It seems so easy. A small item like a watch, perfume or compact disc... just slip it in a pocket or purse and walk out the door. Save a few bucks with a five-finger discount.

The crime of shoplifting costs Army and Air Force Exchange Service hundreds of thousands of dollars each year, and Luke's facilities fall victim to the crime every day.

"Shoplifting at our main exchange is on the rise with more than 20 cases this quarter alone," said Senior Airman Eric Saracino, 56th Security Forces Squadron reports and analysis clerk. "There has been an increase in dependent juvenile cases as well."

The AAFES safety and security office is responsible for loss prevention and monitors all activities at the main exchange, shoppette, car care center, theater, military clothing sales, food court and Burger King.

Safety and security also investigates possible refund fraud by tracking refunds by dollar amount, frequency and by name.

"The real victims of shoplifting are the consumers who pay higher prices for goods and services as AAFES tries to make up for losses," said Robin Theriault, AAFES safety and security manager.

In a small room lined with closed-circuit monitors, security people operate nearly 100 cameras in the exchange and other areas watching for the telltale signs of a shoplifter.

"We can monitor every area of the facilities and track possible shoplifters from entry to exit," Theriault said. "Shoplifters are very predictable in their actions, frequently follow the same path in the store and use the same basic methods to commit their crimes."

Shoplifters come in all ages and include family members, children, teenagers, retirees and active duty members. Common items stolen include cosmetics, perfume, CDs, electronics, vitamins, clothing, games and toys.

"There is no typical profile of a shoplifter," Theriault said. "We have even caught people shoplifting while in uniform."

Other types of crimes against AAFES facilities include price switching and gas station drive-offs.

Those caught shoplifting are banned from AAFES facilities for one year and must pay restitution equal to the cost of the items stolen plus a \$100 fee. In addition, they may face criminal and civil prosecution. For active-duty members, it may lead to the end of their career.

"If you commit a crime in an AAFES facility, sooner or later, you will be caught," Theriault warned.

Information,  
Tickets and  
Tours

Information, Tickets and Tours is in the community center. Dillards Box Office and Ticketmaster are open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and closed Sunday. Tickets for a variety of events are available. For more information, call 856-6000.

Tours

A trip to the Riverside Casino, Laughlin, Nev., leaves Nov. 19, and Dec. 3 at 6 p.m. and returns at about 10 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person and includes round trip transportation, champagne brunch or dinner buffet and casino coupons. Must be 21 or older. Photo identification is required.

Luke Movies

Movies begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Cost for children 11 and under is \$1.25; adults pay \$2.50.



Friday and Saturday

“Nurse Betty” (R)  
Stars Renee Zellweger, Aaron Eckhart, Morgan Freeman and Chris Rock. Zellweger plays Betty Sizemore, a waitress in a small Kansas town who lives vicariously through her favorite soap opera stars and fantasizes about a perfect life like that of the doctors and nurses on the television show, “A Reason to Love.”  
When her insensitive husband is

brutally murdered, Betty escapes into her soap opera fantasy. The killers realize Betty was a witness and begin a cross-country pursuit to find her. (112 minutes)



Sunday

“Urban Legends” (R)  
Stars Jennifer Morrison, Loretta Devine, Jessica Cauffiel, Hart Bochner and Michael Bacall.  
At the prestigious Orson Welles Film School at Alpine University, students are preparing the Hitchcock Award, an honor that virtually guarantees the winner a Hollywood career. Morrison plays Amy Mayfield, the daughter of a famous documentary director, who decides to make a thriller

in which college students are killed in ways resembling various urban legends. As filming progresses, a series of unusual deaths occur. (100 minutes)



Nov. 17, 18

“Remember the Titans” (PG)  
Stars Denzel Washington, Will Patton, Donald Faison, Wood Harris and Ryan Hurst.  
This movie tells the true story of Herman Boone, an African American football coach who led a racially divided high school team, the Titans, to victory in 1971 Alexandria, Va. Boone overcame racial prejudices and bigotry among his team and other coaches, teaching players respect, dedication and strength. He was an inspiration and role model to the team and made a great impact on the small, closed-minded southern community. (113 minutes)

## Heir born

The following babies were born at Luke Hospital during October:

**Oct. 5**  
Taia Shanel to Melinda and Dante Wildman

**Oct. 6**  
Reid Pearson to Kelly and Patrick McAtee  
Jessica Morgan to Adrianne Henry

**Oct. 12**  
Austin Patrick to Sarah and David Fewkes

**Oct. 15**  
Gemma Isabel to Lynette and Gerry Saria

**Oct. 19**  
Tommy Kent to Marta and Tommy Nixon



**Oct. 20**  
Danielle Lynn to Debra and Daniel Arabia

**Oct. 22**  
John Curtis to April and John Kemper

**Oct. 26**  
Corey Salih to Vanessa and Maximo Madera

**Oct. 28**  
Athena Claire to Patricia and William Shearin  
Jared Wayne to Rebecca and Justin Johnson  
Madilynn Sue to Melissa and Chuck Cowan

**Oct. 30**  
Kendra Elene to Missy and Anthony Randell



## The gift of giving ...



Staff Sgt. Aaron Marcus

*People at the Luke Chapel recently raised more than \$3,100 in a special offering for Operation Warmheart, a first sergeants' program that helps Luke families in need. Donations can be given to any squadron first sergeant.*



## Around Base

### American Red Cross

- ♦ There is a cardiopulmonary resuscitation instructor class today, Tuesday, Nov. 16, 21 and 28 at 6 p.m. in Bldg. 1150, Room 1064. The cost is \$225.
  - ♦ There is a new volunteer orientation class today at 10 a.m. in Bldg. 1150, Room 1064.
  - ♦ There is a free mass care disaster class Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to noon in Bldg. 1150, Room 1064.
- To register for classes or for more information, call 856-7823.

### Adopt-a-family

The 56th Fighter Wing adopt-a-family program continues through Dec. 1. To select a family or for more information, call Staff Sgt. Keith Brown at 856-5835.

### AFSA meeting

The Air Force Sergeants Association Cactus Eagle Chapter 1260 has its monthly meeting Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. at the enlisted club. Members and nonmembers are welcome to attend.

### Horseback riding trip

Outdoor recreation has an overnight horseback riding and camping trip Nov. 18 and 19 to

Fort Huachuca, Ariz. The van departs Bldg. 247 at 6 a.m. Nov. 18 and returns about 6 p.m. Nov. 19. Cost is \$50 per person and includes round trip transportation, horse rental, camping equipment, sack lunch, cowboy barbecue and breakfast. Register by Tuesday. For more information, call 856-6267.

### Thanksgiving meals

Officers club: Nov. 23 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$12.95 for adults, \$7.95 for children ages 6 to 12 and free for children 5 and younger.

Enlisted club: Nov. 23 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$11.75 for adults, \$6.25 for children ages 10 to 13 and free for children 9 and younger.

### Youth center closure

The youth center is closed Friday for the Veterans Day holiday and Nov. 23 and 24 for Thanksgiving and family day.

### Hawaiian vacation

Outdoor recreation has a Hawaiian vacation adventure from Dec. 4 to 13. The cost is \$1,000 per person and includes round trip transportation from Luke, meals, nine-days lodging at the Kileau military camp, a scenic island tour, wilderness hike, snorkling, deep-sea fishing and a submarine tour.

A \$100 deposit is required. For more information, call 856-9334 or 856-6267.

## Chapel News

### Worship schedule

The following worship services are at the Luke Community Chapel unless otherwise noted:

#### Protestant worship

- ♦ Holy Communion is Sunday at 8 a.m.
- ♦ Gospel service is Sunday at 8:30 a.m. at the Chapel on the Mall.
- ♦ Morning worship service is Sunday at 11 a.m.
- ♦ Evening praise service is Sunday at 6 p.m.

#### Catholic worship

- ♦ Saturday Mass is at 5 p.m.
- ♦ Sunday Mass is at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
- ♦ Weekday Mass is at noon.

#### Religious education

- ♦ Protestant Sunday school is 9:30 a.m. in Bldg. 1150.
- ♦ Catholic CCD is Sunday at 11 a.m. in Bldg. 1150.

#### Muslim congregational prayers

Muslims interested in Friday congregational prayers should call the chapel for information.

For more information, call 856-6211.

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Hot doggin’ ...



Senior Airman Beth Krichbaum  
*D.C. Walker of the 61st Fighter Squadron “The Pack” team attempts to block 308th Fighter Squadron “Lady Knights” player Kathy Pavey from taking a shot Friday during “The Balls of O’Leary” semiannual women’s crud tournament at the officers’ club. “The Pack” beat the “Lady Knights” to win the tournament.*

Hockey team suffers 13-0 loss

By Maj. Joey Kindelin  
*61st Fighter Squadron*

The Luke Falcons hockey team took on the Gallagher’s Restaurant Brew Crew in the second game of the season Sunday at Polar Ice in Peoria suffering an embarrassing 13-0 loss despite some outstanding plays by the Falcons.

The loss gives the Falcons a 1-1 record for the season.

Netminder Kurt Warren faced 39 shots on goal turning back many Brew Crew breakaways and denying the opposition some excellent scoring opportunities.

The Falcons defense led by Jason Boyle, Brian O’Conner, John Didonna and Nick Siegal played strong during the first period keeping the Brew Crew in check and facing many odd-man rushes with the offensive lines putting up a total of 24 shots on net.

The Brew Crew netminder’s fine goaltending denied many scoring chances by Falcons forwards Joey Kindelin, Dave Brasinzky, Dave Cascone, Kevin Lehman and recently acquired forward Erik Haggenson.

“I was disappointed by the loss. The team had trouble getting started in Sunday’s game due to a long layoff in recent weeks,” said Falcons team captain Erik Saracino. “The acquisition of a few new players should help get us back on track.”

In addition, the Falcons were unable to capitalize



Senior Airman Beth Krichbaum  
*Falcon forwards Nick Siegal (left) and David Cascone (right) give a Brew Crew player the squeeze during Sunday’s game at Polar Ice.*

on four power plays, two breakaways and many three-on-one opportunities.

“We need to settle down and play a strong positional game for three full periods,” Boyle said. “If we can do that, things will eventually fall in place.”

Team Luke can cheer on the Falcons at its next home game Sunday at 10:25 p.m. at Polar Ice.

## Sports Shorts

### Youth basketball

The youth winter basketball league registration is underway at the youth center. The league for ages 6 to 12 costs \$25 per person. Birth certificates are required for age verification. For more information, call 856-7470.

### Turkey Trot

The annual 5K Turkey Trot fun run is Nov. 17 at 6:30 a.m. at the fitness center.

### Jogging restriction

Joggers and bikers are not permitted

in or around the munitions storage area. Air Force Instruction changes prohibit nonessential personnel from entering the area for safety reasons.

For more information, call 1st Lt. Billy Babbitt at 856-6920.

### Warmheart softball

The Operation Warmheart softball tournament is Nov. 17 through 19. The tournament is sponsored by the Luke First Sergeants Association. For more information, contact a first sergeant.

### Swim instructor class

People interested in learning how to teach others how to swim can attend a Water Safety Instructor course Dec. 21

to 23 and Dec. 27 to 30 at the Litchfield Park swimming facility. Participants must be at least 17 years old.

The class costs \$80 per person and includes books and materials. A swimming prerequisite and written pretest are required.

To register for the class, stop by outdoor recreation in Bldg. 247. For more information, call 856-6267.

### Discount pool passes

Outdoor recreation offers discount pool passes for the Litchfield Park swimming facility. A single pass costs \$20, and a family pass costs \$40.

For more information, stop by outdoor recreation located in Bldg. 247 or call 856-6267.

### Hunting, fishing licenses

Outdoor recreation will no longer sell hunting and fishing licenses beginning Dec. 31.

For more information on where to purchase licenses, stop by outdoor recreation in Bldg. 247 or call 856-9334.

### Water hockey tourney

Squadron four-on-four teams are needed to play water polo in kayaks for the Winter Water Hockey Tournament Dec. 8 at the Oasis Pool.

Practice times for registered teams is the week before. All participants receive an event T-shirt.

Register at outdoor recreation, Bldg. 247. For more details, call 856-6267.

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